

## Message Text

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S E C R E T JIDDA 1665

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, SA, YE, US  
SUBJECT: ARMS FOR YEMEN: REQUEST FOR F-5E PLANNING AND BUDGET DATA

REF: (A) JIDDA 1282 (CHUSMTM 131506Z) (B) SANA 618

1. WE CONCUR WITH REQUEST IN REFTEL A FOR PLANNING AND BUDGET DATA FOR 12 F-5E'S FOR THE YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC.
2. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, WE HVE BEEN WORKING WITH SAG FOR SEVERAL YEARS ON CONCEPT OF MODERNIZING YEMEN'S ARMED FORCE, REPLACE YEMEN'S RELIANCE ON SOVIET EQUIPMENT AND THUS REDUCE SOVIET INFLUENCE. WHILE WE HAVE COME A LONG WAY IN THIS REGARD AS CONCERNS THE GROUND FORCES, NO HEADWAY HAS YET BEEN MADE IN THE AIR FORCE WHICH REMAINS TO A CERTAIN EXTENT DOMINATED BY A SOVIET PRESENCE.

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3. IN OUR JUDGEMENT THE PACED ACQUISITION OF 12 F-5E'S BY THE YAR IS CONSISTENT WITH YEMEN'S DEFENSE NEEDS AND OUR POLICY OBJECTIVES. EMBASSY SANA MAY WISH TO PROVIDE FURTHER COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF THIS REQUEST.  
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